

Soccer
teams get
new field

Saturday morning was chilly, but the 22 players moving the ball up a brand new soccer field didn't seem to mind.

The new field, west of Sacred Heart Cemetery at 9th and Thompson, has been used for several years as a practice field by the American Youth Soccer Organization in Colby.

The soccer teams had previously used Colby recreation fields, according to Ann Miner, publicity officer for the club.

"When Colby High School added softball and baseball to its sports lineup," she said, "schedule conflicts meant that soccer had to find a new home."

The new fields belong to the city



Ann Miner/Colby Free Press

Colby American Youth Soccer Organization players enjoyed the new field west of Sacred Heart Cemetery on Saturday. About 250 participants from all over the area are in soccer this year.

of Colby, also. The soccer club was offered the use of the fields and even moved an access road for a new, larger field for older players.

"Safety concerns are still present," said club safety director Bob Hansen. The fields run along 9th, 10th and Thompson streets and Hansen cited concern about players chasing balls into

Lady Eagles split two with Ulysses

By JAY KELLEY
Colby Free Press

The Colby High School Lady Eagles split with Ulysses on Tuesday at the Colby recreation fields, losing game one 14-7 and winning game two 15-9.

Whitney Adams took the loss in game one and Nicol Frahm was the winner in game two.

The Lady Eagles' offense managed

to put runs on the board in both games with A m b e r Lane leading the way, going 4-for-7 with a home run, two triples and a double.



Savannah Rupp went 4-for-5, including two doubles. Kristen Arensdorf had two triples in a 3-for-6 performance. Alicia Leavitt also went 3-for-5.

Next varsity action is Tuesday when the Goodland Cowgirls come to town to make up the second game of Colby's home opener, frozen out on March 31. Game time is 4:30 p.m.

Area Schedule

Saturday, April 7, 2001
Colby Community College baseball hosts Seward County at 1 p.m.
Softball at the Jayhawk Challenge, hosted by Brown-Mackie in Salina.
Track at Fort Hays State University.
Sunday, April 8, 2001
Colby Community College baseball at Hutchinson at 1 p.m.
Jayhawk Challenge continues.
Monday, April 9, 2001
Goodland 9/10th grade track hosts Colby, St. Francis and Oakley at 4:30 p.m.

College baseball team loses four during week

The Colby Community College Trojan baseball team lost four-in-a-row against Otero and Cloud County on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Tuesday saw the Trojans fall 7-6 and 11-1 against Otero (La Junta, Colo.) at home and they were in Concordia against Cloud County on Wednesday, losing 5-1 and 8-1. The Trojans are at home Saturday, hosting Butler County at 1 p.m.

Colby vs. Otero
Freshman right-hander Troy Bartel gave the Trojans five strong innings, but four Otero runs in the sixth put the game away. Bartel gave up four runs on six hits with three strikeouts and two walks. Eric Shade (0-2) took the loss.

Jordan Rudel hit two home runs to bring his season total to nine and Mike

Dove had a home run, a double and three RBIs.

Game two saw Nick Geronimo (0-1) take the loss, allowing six earned runs on five hits with two strikeouts and two walks. Brian Berryman gave up three runs on four hits in two innings with three strikeouts. Five Trojan errors put the pitching in a bad way most of the day.

Josh Prickett had a home run for the Trojans' only offense.

"These two non-league games were a good chance for everyone on the roster to get playing experience," said assistant coach Ray Nolan.

Colby vs. Cloud County
In game one, sophomore right-hander Seth Vontz (1-5) went the distance, but two big innings by the

Thunderbirds took the Trojans out. Vontz game up four earned runs, struck out three and walked three in six innings. Dove and Brady Nighswonger had two hits each.

Chris Johnson dropped to 1-5 in the

second game, striking out six, walking four and giving up only one earned run in 4 2/3 innings. A total of five errors hurt the Trojans again and freshman Scott Kadatz had the Trojans' only two hits.

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